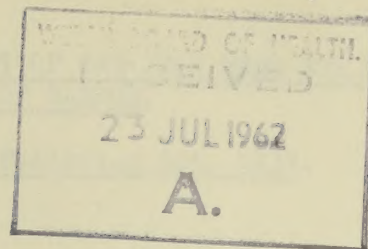


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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE

YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1961.



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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR 1961 FOR THE
RURAL DISTRICT OF KNIGHTON IN THE COUNTY OF RADNOR.

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act, 1937.

PART 1 OF THE ACT

1. - INSPECTIONS for the purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspect- ions (3)	Written notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	—	—	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	3	45	—	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	—	—	—	—
Total.	3	45	—	—

2. - Cases in which DEFECTS were found
(If defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more "cases").

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found.				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred.		
			To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)					
Overcrowding (S.2).					
Unreasonable temperature(S.3)					
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)					
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)					
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient					
(b) Unsuitable or defective					
(c) Not separate for sexes					
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Out-work)					
Total	NIL				

PART VIII OF THE ACT

OUTWORK
(Sections 110 and 111)

Nature of Work (1)	Section 110			Section 111		
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 110(1)(c) (2)	No. of bases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4)	No of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5)	Notices served (6)	Prosecutions (7)
Wearing (Making apparel etc. Cleaning and Washing)						
Household linen						
Lace, lace curtains and nets						
Curtains and furniture hangings						
Furniture and upholstery						
Electro-plate						
File Making						
Brass and brass articles						
Fur pulling						
Iron and steel cables and chains						
Iron and Steel anchors and grapnels						
Cart gear						
Locks, latches and keys						
Umbrellas, etc.						
Artificial flowers						
Nets, other than wire nets						
Tents						
Sacks						
Racquet and tennis balls						
Paper bags						

NIL

PART VIII OF THE ACT (Cont.)

OUTWORK
(Sections 110 and 111)

Nature of Work	Section 110				Section 111	
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 110(1)(c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4)	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5)	Notices served (6)	Prosecutions (7)
The making of boxes or other receptacles or parts thereof made wholly or partially of paper						
Brush making						
Pea picking						
Feather Sorting						
Carding, etc., of buttons, etc.						
Stuffed toys						
Basket making						
Chocolates and sweetmeats						
Cosques, Christmas stockings, etc.						
Textile weaving						
Lampshades						

TOTAL

Signature

R. R. R.
Medical Officer of Health.

Date

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Councillor	Geo. Gayther,	J.P.	<u>Chairman.</u>
"	Rd. Watkins,		<u>Vice-Chairman.</u>
"	Mrs. G.M. Walker,	J.P.	
"	J.P. Knill.		
"	E.T. Harris,	J.P.	
"	J.G. Pryce,	J.P.	
"	Rd. Brick,	C.C.	
"	C.E. Watkins,	C.C.	
"	J.A. Griffiths.		
"	J.W. Morris.		
"	E.W. Powell.		
"	H.L. Vaughan.		
"	V.W. Pugh,	J.P.	
"	J.I. Hargest.		
"	W.E.J. Watson.		
"	A.H. Lloyd.		
"	R.H. Lewis.		
"	R.J. Price.		
"	Jno. Morris.		
"	T.H. Lewis.		

Clerk - J.A. Jones, F.C.C.S., A.I.A.C.

Medical Officer of Health - J.G. Garman, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

Public Health Inspector/Surveyor - D.I. Davies, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I., M.R.I.P.
H.H.

KNIGHTON RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health
for the year ended 31st December, 1961.

To: The Chairman and Members of the
Knighton Rural District Council.

June, 1962.

Mr. Chairman, Mrs. Walker and Gentlemen,

It is my privilege to submit my eighteenth Annual Report upon the vital statistics, sanitary conditions and general health in the Rural District of Knighton.

In submitting my report I shall endeavour to include in addition to the required statistics and particulars of infectious diseases, an account of sanitation in the area under my control.

The progress of private building in the way of new houses, improvements and modernisation of existing dwellings continued satisfactorily during the year and a total number of 29 building byelaw applications and plans were submitted, all of which were approved by the Council and other interested departments.

During the year twenty four new dwellings were erected by the Council in the Teme Valley to replace unfit houses and by the Autumn twenty four families had been rehoused in the new ones. Demolition and Closing Orders were made on most of the unfit houses and the provisions of the Housing Act 1957 were being implemented as the year closed.

Towards the end of the year the second stage of the Bleddfa & Lugg Valley Water Supply Scheme was practically completed and most properties within the limits of the new supply were being connected to the mains.

OFFICIALS.

The Ministry of Health has requested details and qualifications of the Council's Senior Public Health Officers, which are as follows:-

Medical Officer of Health (Part-time) Dr. J.G. Garman, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

Public Health Inspector (Full-time) D.I. Davies, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I., M.R.I.P.H.H.

All matters of Public Health are under the control of these Officers, and the whole Council deal with matters of Public Health, there being no separate Public Health Committee for the Council.

STATISTICS.

Total Area (in acres of the District	88,667
Population (Estimated)	2,760
Rateable Value	£31,406

LIVE BIRTHS.

There were 42 live births registered during the year, of which 20 were male, and 22 female, giving a birth rate of 15.2 per 1,000 of the population of the area.

The Birth rate for 1960 was 15.0 per 1,000 population of the area.

ILLEGITIMATE LIVE BIRTHS.

There was 1 illegitimate live birth registered during the year.

STILLBIRTHS.

There were no still births registered during the year.

DEATHS.

The total number of deaths of all ages registered during the year was 27, giving a death rate of 9.7 for the whole district as compared with 28 deaths in 1960 giving a rate of 9.36 per 1,000.

INFANTILE MORTALITY.

There were 2 deaths of infants under one year of age as compared with none in 1960.

ANTE-NATAL CLINIC AND TREATMENT CENTRES.

There are Ante-Natal Infant Welfare and Tuberculosis Clinics in operation at Knighton and Llandrindod Wells. The Home visiting of expectant mothers attending the Ante-Natal Clinic is undertaken by the Health Visitor.

Within reasonable distance Hereford, Shrewsbury, Llandrindod Wells and Newtown Hospitals are available for treatment, and Hereford and Shrewsbury have centres for the treatment of venereal diseases.

ORTHOPEADIC SCHEME.

This scheme covers all children and adults with fortnightly clinic at Llandrindod Wells.

SCHOOL MEDICAL SERVICE.

Resulting from the regular inspection, provision is made for treatment. An Eye Clinic is installed in Knighton and Llandrindod Wells. A Mobile Dental Service is provided at each school in the area.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

There were no notifications of infectious diseases during the year.

SCHOOL CANTEENS.

All schools in the Rural District have canteens where mid-day meals are provided for the scholars.

FOOD INSPECTION.

All food premises within the district are periodically inspected by the Public Health Inspector.

WATER SUPPLIES.

Now that the Bleddfa & Lugg Valley Water Supply Scheme has been practically completed, the water supplies throughout the district are fairly satisfactory, the only village not having a plentiful supply of wholesome water being Llanbister. However the Council are taking every possible step to ascertain whether a new supply can be found for the village and the Council's Consulting Engineers are carrying out surveys and full investigations of possible new spring sources for this purpose.

Regular samples are taken from all the Council's Supplies by the Public Health Inspector and these are bacteriologically analysed at the Public Health Laboratory at the Royal Salop Infirmary, Shrewsbury. The supplies generally are very good and no treatment whatsoever is being carried out.

There are no public swimming baths within the Rural District.

The number of dwelling houses and the estimated population supplied from public water mains direct to the houses in the various parishes are as follows:-

<u>PARISH.</u>	<u>HOUSES.</u>	<u>EST. POP.</u>
Beguildy	82	328
Bleddfa	32	128
Cascob	14	56
Discoed	7	28
Heyope	29	116
Litton	-	-
Llananno	-	-
Llanbadarn Fynydd	14	56
Llanbister	18	72
Llandewy Ystradenny	18	72
Llanfihangel Rhydithon	44	176
Llangunllo	42	168
Norton	47	188
Pilleth	1	4
Stanage	-	-
Whitton	8	32

There are 14 dwelling houses supplied from Standpipes, i.e., 7 at Llaithddu village in the Parish of Llanbadarn Fynydd and 7 at Crossways, Llandewy Ystradenny.

SEWERAGE.

To date, the Council have not undertaken any sewerage schemes but the Council's Consulting Engineers are in the course of preparing a scheme for the village of Norton. The villages of Llangunllo and Llandewy Ystradenny are also urgently in need of proper sewerage schemes, and preliminary surveys have been undertaken by the Consulting Engineers in this respect.

MILK SUPPLY.

There are no main dealers premises situated within the Council's area, but three retailers from adjoining Authorities retail milk in this Rural District.

ICE CREAM.

There are no manufacturers of ice cream in the area, and only five are registered for the storage and sale of pre-packed ice cream. Periodical inspection of these premises are carried out by the Public Health Inspector, and conditions are generally satisfactory.

RODENT CONTROL - Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949.

A systematic survey of properties is being carried out by the Council's Rodent Operator and treatment given where found necessary.

MIDWIVES ACT.

The District Nurses working in the Rural Area act as Health Visitors for the County Council.

FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS.

Messrs. Reema Construction Ltd. whose offices were situated at Knucklas during the year have now left after completing their building programme. This factory does therefore no longer exist.

OUTWORKERS.

So far as is known to your Officers there are no outworkers in the Rural Area.

COMMON LODGING HOUSES.

There are no common lodging houses in the district.

CONCLUSION.

In concluding my Annual Report, I would express my thanks to the Members and Staff of the Council for their help and co-operation in my work as Medical Officer of Health.

I have the honour to remain
Your obedient Servant.

J.G. GARMAN

Medical Officer of Health.

